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R. Douglas Nininger - 1928 Distinguished Alumnus 1975

1928 . . . At Bridgewater College the trustees voted to restrict the enrollment of Bridgewater to 300 students, so that each student would receive the personal attention and encouragement of each professor . . . Bridgewater beat American U. in baseball, 42-0, scoring 18 runs in the first inning, but lost to William & Mary, 14-0 . . . debated and triumphed over Clark University of Worcester, Massachusetts, and won in basketball over the Central Y.M.C.A. of Spray, N.C., 34-18. Dr. George Washington Carver lectured on campus and in a straw vote presidential candidate Herbert Hoover, received a majority of the student body vote. R. Douglas Nininger, vice-president of the senior class and a Daleville Academy graduate, was voted most popular and best-looking. That year he also played Gypsy Jim in the Hammerstein play *Gypsy Jim*, recently popular on Broadway, and was "an active and valuable member in almost every organization on the campus"—Ripples 1928.

Since those days, R. Douglas Nininger, Distinguished Alumnus of 1975, has continued in his life of helpful service and leadership in educational, church, and civic affairs, one of the recipients of his time and talents being the Bridgewater College Board of Trustees. He served from 1941-1955, and subsequently was re-appointed in 1959, becoming chairman the following year. As chairman he attends meetings of the three standing committees of the board as well as the two general meetings. He has also worked closely with President Geisert and the College



development staff in the initial stages of the "8 by 80" fund raising effort.

Mr. Nininger's life has followed two tracks vocationally, first as educational administrator and second as a real estate developer. For fourteen years he was principal and teacher in Botetourt County, Va., Lewisburg, W.Va., and William Fleming High School in Roanoke County. He earned an M.A. in educational administration from the University of Virginia and became Director of Instruction for the Roanoke County Schools about the same time. For ten years he was Division Superintendent of Schools in Roanoke County. Then, in 1955, after spending more than 25 years in educational administration and "enjoying each step of the way," his life changed directions. "Along about middle age when most people are sticking with what they have been doing, I made a right-about

face and went into real estate development." The change was precipitated by the need for someone to make decisions about family property in the Roanoke area. This led to land subdivision development in the Roanoke Valley and for the past 20 years he has been self-employed as the developer of William Fleming Court, and Fleming Oaks in Roanoke, and as president of Blue Ridge Lakes Estates, Inc., developing a suburban area called "Lake Forest" in Botetourt County, Va.

Mr. Nininger and his wife Ruth, who was Ruth Miller of Bridgewater and a member of the Bridgewater College class of 1930, were married in 1930 and share a lifelong interest in travel. When he was in educational administration their trips were limited to the summer, but "one of the advantages of being self-employed is that of arranging travel in off-seasons and at your own convenience."

Mr. Nininger's first travel adventures followed his senior year in college when he and Raymond Peters, Cecil and Emmert Ikenberry decided to travel to the West Coast. They outfitted a '24 Chevrolet as a travel van, even using the inside of the front bumpers for storage space. After a minor collision with a haywagon in Tennessee they resourcefully made use of the resultant indentation in the right front fender as a wash basin. Sleeping out under the stars they made their way across the country to California. When their kitty was depleted, they worked for a while in a peach-packing plant until they had each earned \$250 to replenish their funds. Touring on up into Canada they even had money left over after their return to Virginia at the end of the summer.

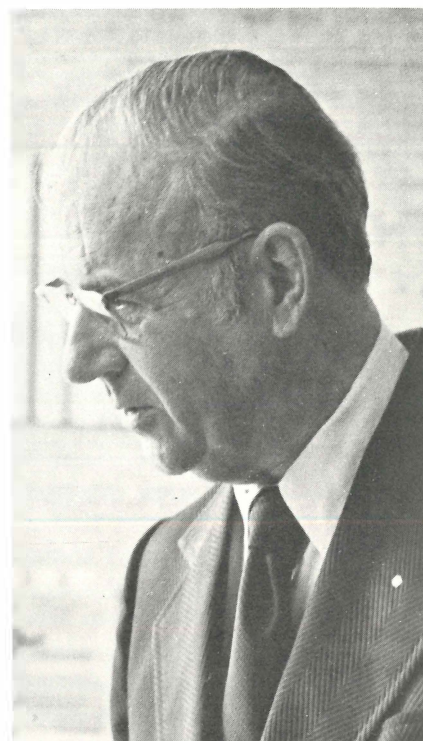
That was the start! The first trip the young Nininger couple made after they were married was also to California, and they have been traveling ever since—to all the states in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and south and Central American countries, to the Near and Far East, Africa, and 20 countries and islands of Europe, going as far north as the North Cape above the Arctic Circle. They have been on safari in Africa, breathed the ash-laden smoke from an erupting volcano in Hawaii, and hiked near grizzly bears in Alaska (talking loudly all the time to scare them away, as the guide advised). A shelf of well-used books on nature and the out-of-doors next to their kitchen table attests to their avid interest in the world about them. They are alert observers, carefully

planning each trip, and enjoying all phases of it to the fullest. Mementoes of the places they have visited can be found throughout their home.

As a charter member and past-president of the Williamson Road Lions Club, and past district chairman, Mr. Nininger has been able to combine his interest in service with his interest in travel. He has worked with the Lions International Youth Exchange program in arranging summer exchange visits between American young people and those in other countries. He and Mrs. Nininger have also attended Lions International meetings in Mexico City, Tokyo, Toronto, and quite a few in this country.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Nininger are active in civic affairs—he with the Roanoke Valley campaign of the Community Fund, Red Cross, National Polio Foundation, Tuberculosis Association, and Hospital Development Association. He was also a ten-year member of the Roanoke County Public Library Board and devotes a great deal of time to his work as chairman of the board of Friendship Manor, Inc. Mrs. Nininger has also been involved in community service groups and very much enjoys working as a volunteer at Lewis-Gale Hospital.

They have both been lifelong members of the Church of the Brethren and have held a number of positions. He is a past district chairman and chairman of the board of trustees of the Central Church in Roanoke, as well as being a member of the Finance Committee and teacher of an Adult Bible Class. She served two terms as treasurer of the



Church Women United of the Roanoke Valley.

Mr. Nininger is also a Board member of the Roanoke-Wonju, Korea, Sister-City Committee, and they both have enjoyed the cultural programs that this has brought to Roanoke.

Mr. Nininger commented that a friend had recently kidded him by calling him a "professional chairman" because of his involvement on so many boards. He remarked that his involvement "goes by spells. You get loaded up and then unloaded and the first thing you know you've said 'Yes' again." His saying "Yes" to Bridgewater College has meant a conscientious and willing commitment to the carrying out of responsibilities, faithful and wise leadership.

Focus

"Home Economics is a career that offers unlimited opportunities,"

a high school senior planning to enter Bridgewater College, wrote in her letter of application, and the list of vocations in which our graduates are employed ranges widely—working with children in child care centers and the elderly in senior citizen centers, as home extension agents, in merchandising, fashion, and home furnishings, as economists with utility companies, government agencies, in consumer services, journalism, research, business, dietetics. Bridgewater College home economics majors are presently attending graduate schools in dietetics and clothing and textiles.

The department was given a real boost when it moved into its new facility, Moomaw Hall, in 1969. Those students who remember the cramped facilities in the old quarters might well be envious of the air-conditioned splendor of the present building with its modern facilities, furnishings, and equipment, including an electronic oven, sewing and cooking laboratories, home management apartments, child care facilities, offices, classrooms, living and dining rooms.

The more than 70 majors take courses in clothing and textiles, foods and nutrition, housing and home furnishings, child growth and development. In addition to these

broad areas, the student may elect to take vocational and occupational home economics, foods and culture, home ec. education, a professional home ec. practicum and others.

This year five students took advantage of the practicum to gain a working understanding of fields in which they might like to make a career. They were with the Harrisonburg Dairy Council, Leggett, Joseph Neys, and the Busy Bee craft shop. The two girls at Leggett worked in the area of merchandising, learning about newspaper display advertising and checking to see that there was a consistency between the ad and the various departments throughout the store. Cynthia Fike, at the Busy Bee, learned about the various craft items stocked by the store and worked with customers. She related that, in meeting and working with different kinds of people, she had become much more patient and understanding. Part of her work involved several mornings at the Salvation Army to help persons interested in making eggshell piths which the store retails for them.

Diane Cipperley's practicum experience last year at the Herndon House, a home furnishings center in Staunton, introduced her to the field of interior decorating. She set up an independent study this year based on what she learned last year about carpeting, wall coverings, window treatments, furniture selection and arranging, and floor plans. She did research work on campus and then spent the rest of the time at the store studying various lines of furniture, the quality characteristics of the woods and distinctions between different lines of furniture. In talking with the employees, she learned how they got started in the field. She also toured a furniture factory in Bridgewater, a carpet mill in Glasgow, Va., and a furniture craft shop in Harrisonburg. Diane wasn't sure, when she began her



Barb Schelble (left) with Ann Gilmore and Martha Carper, their supervisor, discuss ad layouts at Leggett in Harrisonburg.



Diane Cipperley and John Herndon look at fabric samples at Herndon House in Staunton, Va., where Diane did an independent study project.

major course of study, what she wanted to specialize in, so she decided to get a general background at Bridgewater and the independent study has "enabled me to find what I want."

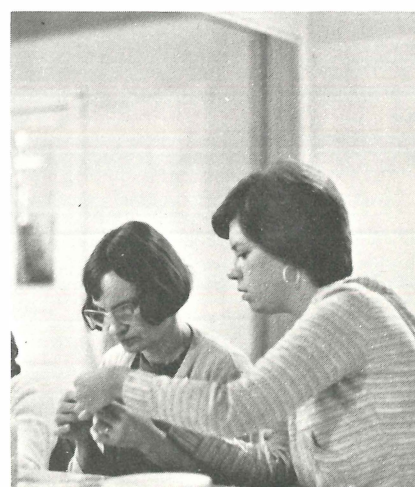
One home economics major of last year's class, Rhonda R. Rhoda, is working on her master's degree in nutrition at the University of Maryland. Next year she will be studying and working at Georgetown University Hospital. Rhonda writes, "Team medical practice is becoming a useful method of treating a patient's total health problem. GP's work together with psychiatrists, physical therapists and therapeutic nutritionists to discuss the health status of their patients and the interrelated areas of treatment. I can really see how the anatomy, physiology, microbiology and chemistry courses will help me in understanding different medical problems." Rhonda feels that the broad liberal arts back-

ground she received at Bridgewater and exposure to courses other than her major were "invaluable in developing total awareness." She discovered her interest in nutrition after taking two food courses, but decided to attend graduate school to specialize. "I enjoyed all the facets of home ec. and did not want to miss the opportunity to enroll in a variety of courses and to gain the experience of student teaching."

Six home ec. majors did student teaching this year and seven are scheduled to teach next year. A number of graduates are employed in home ec. education, locally at Turner Ashby, Stuarts Draft, Montevideo, Broadway, John C. Myers, and Mathias.

The three-week interterm provides the opportunity for variety—for independent study, for devoting uninterrupted sections of the day to advanced tailoring. Mary LeMar, assistant professor in the depart-

ment, has offered a course in the preparation and nutrition of economical and convenience foods for couples and singles. Several years ago she offered a course in gourmet-type cooking with international flavors. During this year's course in Food and Culture, which developed an understanding of food customs and the influence of culture and religion on food habits, the students visited and stayed for several days with families in Amish and Mennonite communities of Lancaster County, Pa. During the final week of the course they studied the nutritional level of various diets and how American derivatives of foreign foods vary from the original. During that week the students and Miss LeMar prepared a Spanish-Mexican meal for students taking Spanish.



Cynthia Fike, right, assists in the making of eggshell jewelry as part of her home economics practicum placement with Busy Bee Crafts in Harrisonburg.

The home economics building is named Moomaw Hall in honor of Nina Kinzie Moomaw and the late Leland C. Moomaw of Roanoke, Va., whose contributions to the College helped make it a reality. The dining area is named for the late Annie Bucher Roop, a benefactor. The living room area is

named for former department chairman, S. Ruth Howe, who was head of the department from 1945 until her retirement in 1970. Miss Howe lives in an apartment in the Bridgewater Home complex, where she is near enough to maintain ties with old friends and attend functions at the College.



Miss Anna Mae Myers, chairman of the department, holds a B.S. from Bridgewater, and an M.S. from Virginia Polytechnic Institute. A member of the faculty since 1962, she is active in the Lambda Society, the Quota Club, and as an advisor to Mu Epsilon Mu, the home economics society.



Miss LeMar holds a B.S. degree from Georgia College at Milledgeville and an M.S. from Kansas State University. She is active in the Lambda Society and has worked closely with a Sunday evening Prayer and Share fellowship, prayer breakfasts, and Bible study groups.



Mrs. Virginia Myers, who has been the third member of the department, retired this year. Her successor has not yet been named. Mrs. Myers holds both B.S. and M.S. degrees from Madison College. She joined the faculty in 1966.



Commencement

Bridgewater College granted degrees to 174 men and women in commencement exercises May 25. Eighteen expect to complete their course work in August. Forty-four graduated with honors, six with highest honors, summa cum laude, having a quality point average of 3.8 out of a possible 4.0. They were: Todd W. Geisert, James W. Mays, Daniel W. Metzler, Rudolph H. Taylor, III, David L. Wampler, and Joan M. Wilson. Eleven graduated magna cum laude, having a quality point average of 3.5. They were: Kathleen S. Cox, Margaret M. Flickinger, Emerson C. Gambill, Jr., Karen L. Garner, Ann C. Miller, Kathleen E. Neff, Jack D. Stenger, Robert G. Trout, A. Eugene Walbridge, Betty K. Wilson, and Barbara A. Schelble. Twenty-seven graduated cum laude, with a 3.2 grade point average. Fifteen seniors elected to graduate with a double major. Of this number, seven maintained a quality point average qualifying them to graduate with cum laude honors and two, Rudy Taylor (philosophy and religion/English), and Joan Wilson (English/history and political science) qualified for summa cum laude honors.



President Geisert congratulates one of this year's graduates, Becky Coe of Bethesda, Md., as he presents her diploma.

and Alumni Day

Dr. Ronald E. Carrier, president of Madison College, was commencement speaker. Dr. Douglas E. Coe, executive director of Fellowship Foundation in Washington, D.C. and father of senior, Becky, gave the invocation. Dr. David Metzler, professor of philosophy and religion at Bridgewater and father of Dan, also a graduating senior, pronounced the benediction.

Dr. M. Guy West, chaplain of the Bridgewater Home, was baccalaureate speaker at the College Street Church of the Brethren. Dr. West, '26, has held pastorates in Bridgewater, Roanoke, Pennsylvania, and San Diego, Cal. For ten years he was on the General Brotherhood Board of the Church of the Brethren and served as moderator in 1968. President Wayne F. Geisert and Dr. Robert S. Sherfy, pastor of the church, also participated in the service. Thomas Tyler, a senior from Roanoke, Va., and Professor John Barr, played a piano-organ duet of "The Lord's Prayer." The college choir and concert band also participated in the day's activities.



Retiring alumni association president, R. C. "Sam" Reid of Roanoke, presents the Distinguished Alumnus Award to R. Douglas Niningger, chairman of the board of trustees.

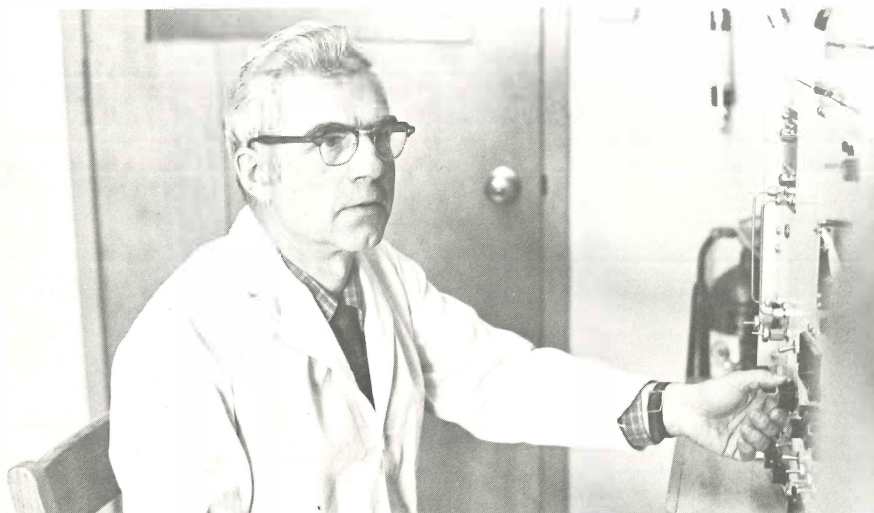


Dean-emeritus, John W. Boitnott, was on hand to chat with returning alumni and for the 50th reunion of his class.



Professor-emeritus Nelson T. Huffman and Mrs. Huffman greet David L. Holl, director of church relations. They also attended the reunion luncheon of the class of 1925.

Bridgewater Briefs



● **Dr. Lowell V. Heisey**, chairman of the chemistry department, was selected for the 1975 Distinguished Service Award by the Virginia Section of the American Chemical Society.

Dr. Heisey has been a valuable member of the Bridgewater College faculty for over 25 years. From teaching physical science to freshmen to directing senior honors students, Dr. Heisey has varied his responsibilities to meet the needs of his department. Over the years he has successfully combined teaching—qualitative and quantitative analysis, organic and physical chemistry, biochemical instrumentation, advanced chemistry seminar—with meaningful research.

As an active member of the Virginia Section of the American Chemical Society, Dr. Heisey served as treasurer in 1960, secretary in 1961, and chairman in 1971. He is also past secretary and chairman of the Chemistry Section of the Virginia Academy of Science. He received research grants in 1951 and 1966 from the Virginia Aca-

demy of Science and in 1957 and 1959 from the National Science Foundation. In 1962 he received a \$34,000 grant from the National Institutes of Health to finance a three-year project on the synthesis of 3,6 Pyridazindiones as a part of a study to synthesize potential tumor and plant-growth inhibiting drugs. Dr. Heisey has done research on plant hormones, cancer drugs, and heterocyclic compounds, and he has published in the *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, the *Journal of Organic Chemistry*, and the *Virginia Journal of Science*.

● Two professors plan sabbatical leaves during the 1975-76 academic year. **Dr. William Mengebier**, chairman of the department of biology, will spend the first part of the winter term at the Bermuda Biological Station on St. George's Island, Bermuda, continuing his research on the comparative evolution of the endocrine system. The latter part of his sabbatical will be spent locally in evaluating his years of research activity.

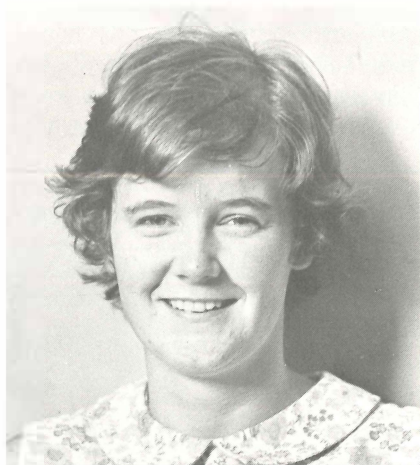
Professor John Barr will be on leave during the Interterm and spring term to complete his work on the Doctor of Sacred Music degree from the School of Sacred Music, Union Theological Seminary in New York City. He will be writing a dissertation entitled, "A Tonal History of Pipe Organs Built by the M. P. Moller Co., Inc."

● The Bridgewater College board of trustees in its April meeting approved a new interdisciplinary major in International Studies. Students interested in this major will take courses in Western and American civilization, comparative or international economics, world cultures and world religions, present and historical. Participation in the Brethren Colleges Abroad program, a year of study overseas in France, Germany, or Spain, is strongly recommended. "The Council of Europe, located in Strasbourg, France, provides an additional opportunity for the student to gain understanding of international relations," Bridgewater's dean, Dale V. Ulrich, said.

During Bridgewater's three-week interterm, students have the opportunity to engage in international travel and study as well as gain first-hand experience at the United Nations or in Washington, D.C. Over a period of three years, students under political science professor Lamar B. Neal have spent the interterm period at the United Nations, observing Congressional and Senate lawmaking in Washington, D.C., and traveling to Great Britain and the Soviet Union in a study of comparative governments.

Dr. Robert S. Baker, director of the Institute of Sacred Music of Yale University, performed the dedicatory recital on the new Cole Hall organ, April 20, before a capacity crowd of enthusiastic listeners.

● **Dr. Dale V. Ulrich**, dean of the College, was elected treasurer of the Virginia Academy of Science at its annual meeting in May. Dr. Ulrich has previously served as chairman of the Long-Range Planning Committee and will continue to serve as director of the Visiting Scientists program of the Virginia Academy of Science.



Sylvia Ballou

● **Sylvia Ballou** of this year's graduating class could scarcely contain her excitement as graduation day approached, not so much because of graduation itself, but because she was to leave immediately for the Orient. Flying from Virginia by way of Seattle to Hong Kong, she is to join her mother, brother, and sister. They will then travel by train to join Sylvia's father, a foreign service officer who has been transferred to the American liaison office in Peking.

Sylvia has already done a fair share of traveling in her lifetime. Having been born in Japan and lived there for four years, she says Japanese was her first language. Her



childhood included three years in Singapore, two in The Netherlands, and four in Hong Kong, where she attended a British school. Her father, who grew up in Tientsin, China, son of American missionaries, was transferred back to Washington, D.C., and she graduated from Oakton High School in Vienna. Since she has been a student at Bridgewater, she has managed to take two trips back to Hong Kong to visit the family, who had been re-assigned there.

Sylvia has several possibilities for a job once she gets to Peking. An elementary education major, she may possibly teach in a small independent American school with a total of six pupils in grades one through six, studying from the Calvert correspondence courses. She thinks it would be challenging to teach in that situation. She may possibly teach English in a Pakistani school, and she hopes to be a receptionist at the American liaison

office, which works mostly with American businessmen. They will live in a compound where all foreign residents of Peking are housed. Their nextdoor neighbors may be Russian, Pakistani, or any one of a number of nationalities, but will probably not be American, as there are at present only a few Americans assigned to the liaison office.

Foreign residents may travel around within the city fairly freely, but they are only allowed to visit the Great Wall and Ming Tombs outside of the city. Special permission must be obtained to visit other cities, and visits from American friends are also restricted. Sylvia said that her friends on the faculty and among the students at Bridgewater have all been asking when they can come visit. "Knowing someone who lives in China makes obtaining a visa much easier," she said, "and visitors will be very welcome."

● A change in Bridgewater's academic program, recently approved by the faculty, is the expansion of the bachelor of science degree option. Students presently enrolled in 14 majors now have the option of choosing whether they wish to receive a bachelor of arts or a bachelor of science degree. These majors are in the fields of the natural sciences and mathematics, the social sciences, business administration, home economics and physical education. Formerly, only a bachelor of arts degree was available in these majors. The change means that, while B.A. recipients still satisfy foreign language proficiency requirements, B.S. recipients may substitute two science courses or one math and one science course for the foreign language requirements. Other general education and major course requirements will remain unchanged.

● **Dr. L. Michael Hill**, associate professor of biology, presented a paper at the meetings of the Virginia Academy of Science held at Madison College, May 6-9.

The paper, entitled "An analysis of morphological variation of *Aster acuminatus* Michx. in Virginia and the Southeast," was presented in the botany section of the meetings.

This paper is a result of the research Dr. Hill has been conducting on the aster during the past two years. He received grants to conduct the research from the Virginia Academy of Science and the Society of Sigma Xi in the spring and summer of 1973.



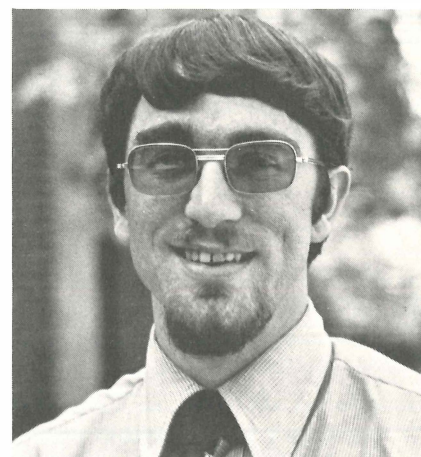
Brian Hildebrand

● **Brian C. Hildebrand**, associate dean for counseling and director of activities, has accepted appointment as dean for student development. He will assume the duties of the chief executive officer in the student personnel area this summer.

Mr. Hildebrand succeeds Dean J. Alaric Bowman who moves to his new assignment as director of annual giving and alumni relations at that time.

Dean Hildebrand, '67, holds a master of arts in education degree from Madison College and has done much of the work toward a doctorate in higher education administration at the University of New Mexico. He was director of the Kline Campus Center at Bridgewater during its first year of operation, and served as director of admissions from 1970 until 1972 when he went on leave to pursue his doctoral studies. Since his return in the summer of 1973, he has been associate dean for counseling and director of activities.

● **Larry W. Glick**, '71, admissions counselor, has accepted appointment as assistant to Dean Hildebrand. Mr. Glick entered alternative service after graduation and served for two years at the National Children's Rehabilitation Center in Leesburg, Va. A native of Port Republic, he has also served as co-



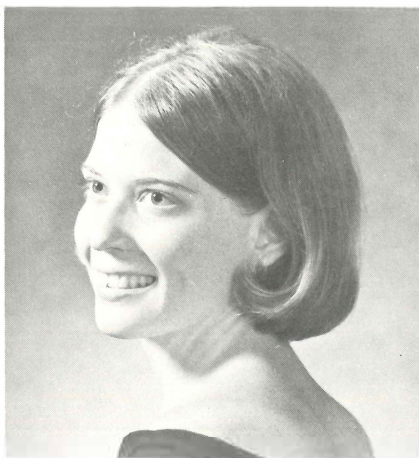
Larry Glick

ordinator of activities at Massanetta Springs at various times during his college years at Bridgewater. He returned to Bridgewater in the summer of 1973 and has been a member of the admissions staff for the past two years.



Linda Fleishman

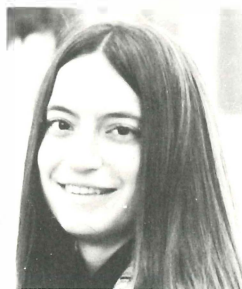
● **Linda G. Fleishman**, '70, director of the Kline Campus Center, has accepted appointment as assistant director of admissions as of July 1. She served as an admissions counselor during the 1972-73 academic year. A member of the campus center staff in 1971, she has been director since 1973.



Suzi Hall

● **Suzi Straub Hall**, '72, has accepted appointment as director of the Kline Campus Center. While in college Mrs. Hall served as a member of the Executive Program Council and during her junior year served as president of the council. Since her graduation she has lived and worked in Atlanta while her husband, Mike, took seminary work at Emory University. For the past three years, Mrs. Hall has served on the staff of the Personnel Office of Emory University as personnel specialist.

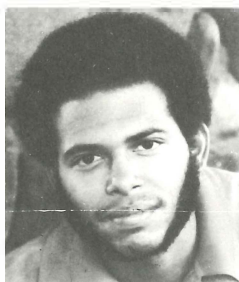
● Named admissions counselors for the 1975-76 year are seniors **Karen Garner**, **Michael Scales**, and **Barbara A. Schelble**. Karen, the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Glenn S. Garner of Weyers Cave, Va., is a sociology major and has been active in a number of campus clubs and organizations.



Karen Garner

Michael, a history and political science major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Scales of Cumberland, Va. He has also taken part in a wide

variety of activities—Intramural athletics, track, band, honor council, concert choir, and vice-president of the junior class.



Michael Scales

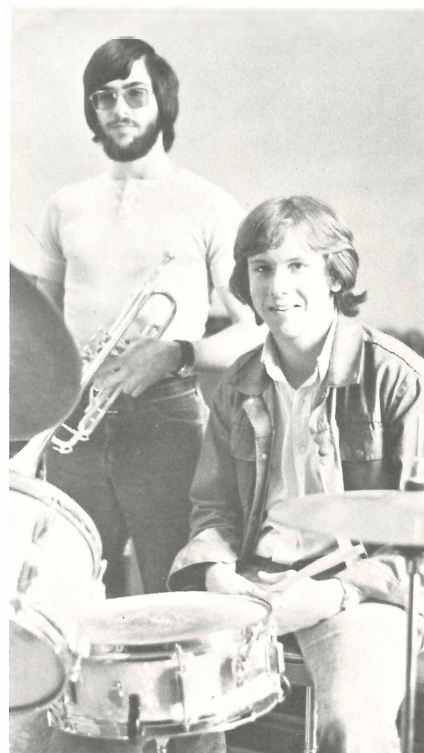
Barbara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schelble of Cumberland, Md. She is a home economics major and an honor student.



Barbara Schelble

● **Dr. Jon Dellett**, mathematics professor, attended a conference at Indiana University the last of May on a National Science Foundation grant from the Mathematics Education Development Center of Indiana University. The institute deals with philosophy and procedures for implementing the "Mathematics Methods Program," an innovative approach to mathematics education for prospective elementary school teachers. The course integrates content and methods in twelve instructional units which relate the realm of mathematics to real-world situations. He plans to use some of the materials in one of his courses next year.

● Two Bridgewater College student musicians have joined the circus for the summer. **Nathan Albright**, percussionist, and **Steven Sunday**, trumpet player, will be touring with the Circus Kingdom



Steven Sunday & Nathan Albright

band through 26 states and into Canada. The circus was founded by David Harris, minister of a Washington, D.C. church and a former tuba player with the Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey Circus band. Tom Thornley, Bridgewater College music professor, was also formerly with that band and learned of the opportunity for the students.

The circus, with fire eaters, acrobats, clowns, sword swallowers, and other assorted attractions (excluding wild animals), is sponsored by local churches and its performances are done in an atmosphere of profession of Christianity. It performs for hospitals, prisons, and orphanages, as well as giving public performances.

Steve, who has never been out West, is looking forward to going to Texas. Nathan is looking forward to the new experiences that the summer will bring.

● Both Lambda and Alpha Chi honor societies held elections this spring.

Coach Carlyle Whitelow was chosen by vote of the student body to receive the "Faculty of the Year" award at the end-of-the-year awards assembly. Tennis coach and assistant football and basketball coach, he has been at Bridgewater since 1969. A native of Bridgewater, he is an alumnus of Bridgewater College and holds a master of education degree from the University of Virginia.



The Virginia Gamma Chapter of Alpha Chi held its election of officers in April. Elizabeth Mumper, a general science major from Bridgewater, was elected president; Dena Hixon, a biology major from Hancock, Md., vice-president; Christine Appl, a music major from Waynesboro, secretary; and Lynn Hoff, an elementary education major from Westminster, Md., treasurer. Dr. Gary Tyeryar and Professor William Barnett will serve as advisors and Dr. Dean Neher will serve as sponsor for the coming year.

To be eligible for membership in Alpha Chi, a student must be in the top ten percent of his class and have a cumulative quality point average of 3.2 or above.

The Lambda Society, the campus organization that honors scholarship, also elected officers. They are Dr. John Martin, president; Dr. Fred Keihn, vice-president; Professor Mary Lemar, secretary-treasurer; Professor John White, historian. Student officers are Virginia Martin, a general science major from Bridgewater, and Julie Gaver, a biology major from Frederick, Md.

● **Tom Reznik**, senior sociology major from Somerville, N.J., had a wooden relief sculpture entitled "Sunburst" accepted in the sixth annual Virginia College Student Art Competition held in the Squires Student Center at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg.

● Retiring and non-returning members of the faculty and staff this year include: **Mrs. Virginia H. Myers**, who has been a member of the home economics faculty since 1966. Mrs. Myers obtained B.S. and M.S. degrees from Madison College and taught home economics, general science and guidance on the high school level before coming to Bridgewater. She is the wife of Cletus M. Myers, Jr., of Mt. Jackson.

Robert L. Rulong, who has been director of development at Bridgewater, is returning to take a similar position at his alma mater, Alderson-Broaddus College in West Virginia.

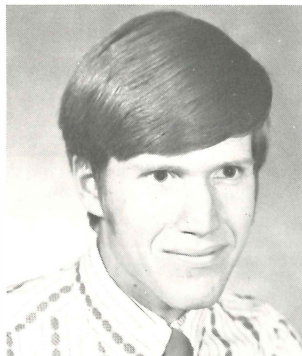
Philip Roddy, assistant librarian; **Amy L. Scharron** and **Bonnie S. Carlton**, admissions counselors; and **John Kline** of the maintenance staff

will not be returning for the 1975-76 year.

● The Virginia Poultry Federation presented its "Distinguished Service Award" to **William H. Groseclose**, Harrisonburg banker and Bridgewater College trustee, at a May meeting in Staunton. Mr. Groseclose, executive vice-president of Rockingham National Bank, is the first person outside the poultry industry to receive this award, an article in the Harrisonburg Daily News-Record reported. He was cited for helping Virginia poultrymen explain the industry's severe financial bind directly to the White House last fall. Poultry Federation president, Robert E. Comerford, Jr., of Blackstone, said that Mr. Groseclose has been "a principal speaker in meeting with suppliers of the poultry industry and asking their help in maintaining a viable business."

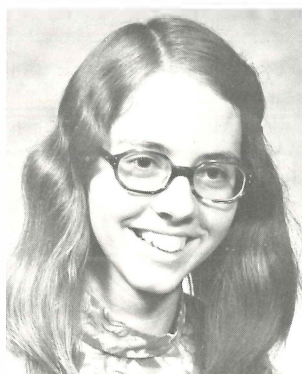
● The concert choir, early in April, was invited to present a benefit concert for child welfare, sponsored by the Washington, D.C. - Baltimore District of the United Methodist Church. The highly successful concert was given at the Memorial

United Methodist Church in Silver Spring, Md. The versatile student musicians interspersed instrumental selections among the choral numbers, and included selections for clarinet, flute, oboe, guitar and voice, and a baroque recorder ensemble with harpsichord.



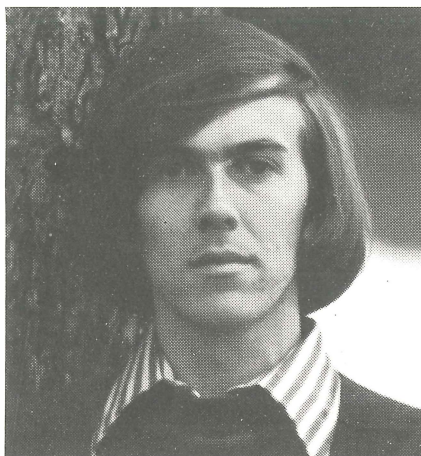
Bruce Elliott

● For the second year in a row **Bruce Elliott** of Rockville, Md., was selected to receive the alumni association scholarship for merit. A rising senior, Bruce was chosen for this scholarship for his high academic achievement, good citizenship, and general merit. A member of the Lambda Society and a dean's list student, he is manager of the basketball and baseball teams and statistician for the football team.

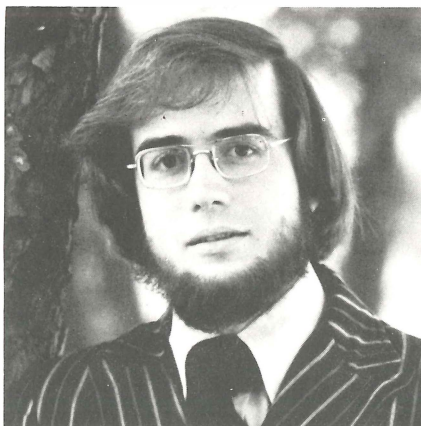


Rhonda Fike

Rhonda Fike, a rising junior, was selected for the second scholarship. A music education major from Midland, Va., she is a member of the steering committee of the Brethren Student Fellowship, and a member of the concert choir, chorale, and band.



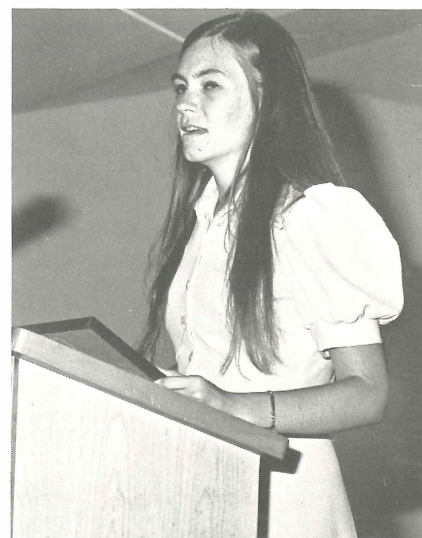
In his four years of debate, senior James Mays compiled a fine record—seven 1st place awards, three 2nd, one 3rd, and three 4th place awards. He debated 304 rounds and won 182 of them. He was chosen to receive the first speaker trophy for the DSR-TKA District Debate Tournament for three years in a row.



David Wampler

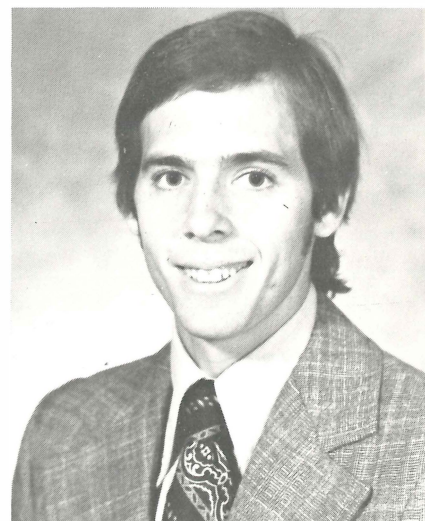
● **David L. Wampler**, a 1975 chemistry major, received one of the "Outstanding Senior Chemistry Major Awards" by the Virginia Section of the American Chemical Society. This award is presented annually to the outstanding senior chemistry major in the colleges and universities in Virginia, and David was one of eight students throughout the state to receive it.

The son of the Rev. and Mrs. B. J. Wampler of Jonesboro, Tenn., he is a summa cum laude graduate of Bridgewater.



Rebecca Phillippe

● This year's alumni association award going to a senior for "dependable service and contributions to her class and campus organizations" went to **Rebecca Phillippe** of Staunton, Virginia. Miss Phillippe is a chemistry major and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Phillippe. She has been active on the Executive Program Council of the Kline Campus Center, a chemistry lab assistant, and a member of Lambda and Alpha Chi, college and national honor societies.



Elected Student Senate President was junior biology major, Steve Gardner of Harrisonburg. He has been an active Student Senate member during the past year.



Sandra Fyke (the girl with the lollipop) laughs at Dodo (Peter Becker) in "The Clown Who Ran Away."

In this scene from "The Importance of Being Earnest," Lady Bracknell (freshman Melody Ziff) has found unwilling listeners in the play's young couples, played by (l. to r.) Peter Becker, Andrea Steppe, Robyn Tritt, and Burt Boardman.



B.C. Theatre: Spring '75

Five thousand kindergarten through third graders attending Bridgewater College? It looked that way for three days in early March as dozens of yellow school buses rolled into the Cole Hall parking lot and excited young theatre-goers from Harrisonburg, Staunton, Rockingham and Augusta Counties tumbled out the doors. They were on campus to see the 1975 Interterm production of *The Clown Who Ran Away*, a comedy produced by the Play Production class. The students delighted in the adventures of Dodo, the clown who was tired of being funny, his horse Gladys, and

their rescue of Ms. Frumpkins' dolls from the dastardly hands of Rudolph Bernard Boo and his assistant Ugly.

If the production was memorable for the children, it was even more memorable for the cast of twenty-one, student technical director Randy Fullerton, and professor-director Ralph MacPhail, Jr. The eight performances highlighted a busy three weeks, during which the class not only rehearsed, costumed, staged and performed Conrad Seiler's acclaimed children's play, but also built three stage sets for the Pinion Players' spring production, *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

The recent expansion of Cole Hall, with additional stage wing space, workshop area, and storage facility, enabled the class to work on the two plays simultaneously during the first two weeks. At the beginning of the third week, the set pieces for *The Importance of Being Earnest* were stored for use six weeks later, and all attention was devoted to making *The Clown Who Ran Away* an exciting theatrical experience for a series of very special audiences.

The Importance of Being Earnest received its third production at B.C. on April 24-26, 1975. The first production was staged by the junior class thirty-nine years ago on May 2nd, 1936; subsequently, the Curtain Club, under the direction of Elizabeth Geiser, staged the comedy of manners on November 6th and 7th, 1959.

The 1975 revival of Oscar Wilde's late Victorian comedy was enhanced not only by the settings but also by the costumes designed and executed (with student assistance) by Mrs. Hope Jopson. Combine these elements with the very able playing by the cast and support from the various technical crews and the result was record attendance for a Pinion Players' spring production.

The annual acting awards also reflected audience response to the production. The panel of judges selected junior Robyn Tritt as Best Actress for her portrayal of *Cecily Cardew*. Three seniors who had been very active with the Players received Best Actor and Best Supporting Actor and Actress for their roles in *Earnest*: Burt Boardman (*Algernon Moncrieff*), Bob Newlen and Ann Miller (*Dr. Chasuble* and *Miss Prism*). Randy Fullerton received the Pinion Player

award for having made the greatest overall contribution to the theatre program at Bridgewater during the academic year.

When the final curtain came down on *Earnest*, the Pinion Players finished another season, this one consisting of seven plays and twenty-four performances. They are looking forward to their return in the fall to start on another season, this one to include two full-length American favorites for the Bicentennial.

Andrea Steppe (Gwendolen Fairfax) and Peter Becker (John Worthing, alias Ernest) exchange endearments under the disapproving eye of Gwendolen's mother, Lady Bracknell.



ALUMNI NEWS NOTES

New Alumni Association Officers



Standing in the rear (l. to r.) are Phillip Stone, '65, president-elect; Greg Geisert, '72, treasurer; at center, Shirley Wampler, '56, director-at-large; and at bottom, Linda Daggett, '56, director-at-large; Doris Harsh, '61, secretary; and Violet Cox, '59, president.

Bob Richards, '46, Inducted into Hall of Fame

Bob Richards, '46, was one of 10 athletes inducted into the National Track and Field Hall of Fame in Charleston, W. Va., June 13-14.

The fledgling hall named 26 persons on its initial induction list last year. Included among this year's selections, along with Bob Richards, is the late Jim Thorpe, the only competitor to win both the pentathlon and decathlon in Olympic history.

Mr. Richards, who attended Bridgewater College for three years, was the second man in history to vault 15 feet. He was first in world rankings in the pole vault for eight straight years and was unbeaten from 1953 through 1955. He captured two Gold Medals in Olympic competition and won the AAU all-around award in 1953 and the decathlon in 1951, 1954 and 1956.



Harold Lehman, '56 -- Helping Reduce Burn Injuries



Each year there are 3,000 to 5,000 deaths and 150,000 to 250,000 injuries from burns associated with flammable fabrics (from the Report to the President and the Congress of the Bureau of Product Safety, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health, Education and Welfare.)

Taking the lead in testing and public information with the Con-

sumer Product Safety Commission is H. Harold Lehman, '56. His imposing title is Director, Division of Training and Manpower Development, Bureau of Information and Education, Consumer Product Safety Commission. He served as chief, Department of Environmental Health at the New Orleans United States Public Health Service Hospital from 1970-72. A commissioned officer in the U. S. Public Health Service, he holds a master's degree in Public Health from Tulane University's School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. While there he conducted a flame-retardant linen study, testing fabrics and finishes to assess such factors as material comfort, smell, appearance, ease of handling, and related subjective judgments. He wrote up the study for the October 16, 1973, volume of HOSPITALS, the journal of the American Hospital Association. Mr. Lehman noted in the

article, "Because many health care institutional fires involve the accidental ignition of articles of clothing, bedding, and other fabric items for patient wear and bed accessories, several flame-resistant materials have been developed throughout the years. However, because of increased cost, esthetic considerations, apathy, and lack of awareness of the seriousness of the burn problem, they have not received widespread acceptance by the consumer."

The Commission with which Mr. Lehman is associated has been partially responsible for reducing the toll of burn injuries and deaths associated with flammable fabrics. It has assisted federal and state governments to pass legislation regulating the manufacture of flammable products by setting flammability standards and informing the public of the hazards associated with flammable fabrics.

CLASS NOTES

'70's

Earl Stovall, '77, has accepted a call from Pine Grove Church in Shenandoah District. He is a ministerial student at Bridgewater College and will serve Pine Grove in addition to his college work.

Scott Duffey, '75, has accepted the call of the Salem congregation at Stephens City, Va. to become full-time interim pastor, serving one year before entering Bethany Theological Seminary in 1976.

Richard D. Meadows, '75, is an Air Force sergeant in the supply squadron that has been selected best in the Strategic Air Command. He is an inventory management specialist at Wurtsmith Air Force Base, Michigan, with the 379th Supply Squadron.

Neil Herchenrother, '74, won first place for "best works on paper" in the 9th annual outdoor art show and sale sponsored by the Staunton Fine Arts Association in May. His entry was a pencil drawing of four men seated on a bench. Neil also took 2nd place in the 3-dimensional class with his wooden construction "Cube Tower II."

Rutledge F. Ives, '74, is teaching Spanish at Highland High School in Monterey, Virginia.

Lynne Nicholas, '74, is a museum technician in the Department of Aquatic Entomology in the Smithsonian Institute Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C.

Rhonda Renee Rhoda, '74, has completed her first year of graduate school at the University of Maryland. She hopes to complete her MS in nutrition next year.

In September **Amy Charron**, '73, will begin work toward a master's degree at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Janet C. Dickson, '72, is an art teacher at the Leary Educational Center in Gainesboro, Va. She is living in Winchester.

E. Layton Evans, '72, is doing graduate study in guidance and counseling at Lynchburg College and does substitute teaching at Rustburg High School, Rustburg, Va.

Grant A. Hagen, '72, is assistant manager of the new Herman's World of Sporting Goods store in downtown Washington, D.C.

John S. Hill, Jr., '71, worked with cadets at U.S. Air Force Academy for the Navigators from July 1971 through June of 1974. Since August of 1974, he has worked full-time on the Navigator (Christian organization) staff at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Rufus Huffman, '71, received an M.D. degree on May 17 from the Medical College of Va. In June he begins a 3-year family practice residency at Riverside Hospital in Newport News. The last two years will be at the First Colonial Family Practice Center and the General Hospital of Virginia Beach.

First Lieutenant **Warren W. Kipps**, '71, is a deputy missile combat crew commander at Whiteman AFB, Mo., with the 508th Strategic Missile Squadron that has received the U.S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for meritorious service from June 1973 to July 1974.

Larry and **Carole Groft Barnes**, '70, have bought an old house in New Windsor, Md. and are enjoying renovating it. Carole is teaching at East Middle School in Westminster and is working on graduate credits in reading. Larry is teaching at Sykesville Middle School and will soon finish work for a master's degree in administration.

Robert D. Boyle, '70, was recently elected president of the Staunton-Augusta Jaycees. He is employed by the Virginia Department of Vocational Rehabilitation and works in Harrisonburg, Va.

Alan W. Edwards, '70, will be a Medical Resident at MCV in July, 1975.

William N. Marshall, '70, is local commercial manager for the Tidewater Telephone Company in Bowling Green, Va.

Benjamin C. Myers, '70, has assumed the position of Accounting Supervisor for Shenandoah Telephone Company in Edinburg, Virginia, as of April 1974.

'60's

Henry E. Hawkins, '69, has been promoted to assistant vice-president at the Rockingham National Bank in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Shirley F. Holmes, '67, has written a history of the Church of the Brethren at Midland, Virginia — 1883-1973.

Dianne Huffman Rist, '66, will begin teaching voice and piano at Messiah College in Grantham, Pa. in September.

John W. Glick, '65, became pastor of the First Church of the Brethren in Pottstown, Pa. on April 1, 1975.

James A. Maye, '65, was appointed by President Gerald R. Ford to serve as one of the nine members of the Presidential Clemency Board for Vietnam military deserters and draft evaders in September of 1974. For the past 2½ years, Jim has been the executive director of the Paralyzed Veterans of America.

Donald R. Myers, '65, has been promoted to vice-president personnel at the Rockingham National Bank in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Gary N. Rodeffer, '65, is teaching chemistry at Gar-Field Senior High School in Woodbridge, Va. and is a lab technician for the Sanitary District in Woodbridge.

Edward M. Young, '65, has been elected president of the Bridgewater, Va., Rotary Club.

Allen T. Hansell, '64, is program director of the Richardson Park Community Action Program, Inc., an ecumenical ministry, and is serving as chairman of the Advisory Committee to the Youth Service

Center of the Conrad Area School District, a program seeking to help troubled children and youth. He lives in Wilmington, Delaware.

W. Owen Horton, Sr., '64, pastor of First Church of the Brethren in Canton, Ohio, is chairman of the Church Action Committee for the Council of Churches of Stark County.

Susan Frantz Segar, '64, is employed as administrative assistant to the president of Metro Richmond Chamber of Commerce; executive secretary to board of directors of Richmond Chamber of Commerce; executive secretary to Richmond Area Inter-Club Council, and enjoys a job on weekends as certified tour guide for the City of Richmond on out-of-town charter buses.

Jerry F. Lambert, '63, was elected president of the Staunton Rotary Club for the coming year. Mr. Lambert is presently serving on the Board of Directors for the Virginia Nursing Home Association, Inc. and on the Board of Valley Rescue Mission. He has also served as chairman of the State Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators. He is president and treasurer of Staunton Manor Nursing Home, Inc.

Ernest Dale May '63, is the new president of the George J. Howe Co., Inc. of Grove City, Pa. The Howe Co. is a food distributor which also roasts and processes nuts and coffee. In January, Mr. May was chosen "Outstanding Young Man of the Year" by the Grove City Jaycees.

David E. Beaman, '60, has been appointed to the Page County, Va. school board. He is supervisor of Wallace Business Forms in Luray.

Allegra Hess, '60, continues as therapist for emotionally disturbed children and their families for Lutheran Child and Family Services, Addison, Illinois.

Robert N. Rodgers, '60, is a construction engineer at Smith's Transfer in Staunton, Virginia.

'50's

Edna Marie Smith, '58, is employed as an accounting technician for the Air Force Medical Material Field Office in Frederick, Maryland.

Fred R. Eichelman, '57, received a doctorate in education in social studies supervision from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University on June 7. His dissertation was a comprehensive study of the Virginia history and government textbook controversy from 1948 to 1972. He is currently employed by the Roanoke County School system and is the educator member of the Board of Trustees for the Virginia Retirement System.

Doris Niswander Albaugh, '55, gave the dedicatory organ recital April 27 on the new Allen organ at the Flower Hill Church of the Brethren near Gaithersburg, Md.

David E. Diamond, '53, has been appointed division accounting manager for the Virginia Electric and Power Company's Eastern Division at Norfolk, Va.

Otis Kitchen, '53, associate professor of music and director of bands at Elizabethtown College, has received a Citation of Excellence from the National Band Association. He recently was elected vice president of the Pennsylvania College Band Directors Association.

Carl N. Shull, '50, of the faculty of Elizabethtown College, Pa., took a group of students to Vienna for a 3-week May Term.

Barbara Judy Taylor, '50, is now employed as a full-time Bookmobile Librarian. She lives in Annapolis, Md.

'40's

G. E. Fawley, '49, recently retired from the Social Security Administration with a total of 38 years service with the federal government. Dale and **Helena Crouse Hand**, '46,

are resident superintendents of YMCA Camp Eberhart, Three Rivers, Michigan. Helena is teaching first grade.

Robert E. Houff, '45, is pastor of the Summerdeen Church of the Brethren in Roanoke, Va. He is vice-president of the Roanoke Valley Gem and Mineral Society.

Wanda A. Houff, '44, is an English teacher at Jackson Jr. High School in Roanoke.

Catherine H. Long, '43, is working as a nurse at Mercersburg Academy, a boys prep school in Greencastle, Pa.

Mary Bradburne Rose, '42, is living in Richmond where her husband is practicing medicine. One daughter is a high school senior, two daughters attend college, and their son is in his first year of medical school.

Dr. George M. Nipe, '41, has been named a councillor for the 7th District Medical Society of Virginia.

'30's

John D. Young, Jr., '38, has been named acting director of University of Maryland Hospital. He is a graduate of the University of Maryland Medical School, and trained as a specialist in urology at the University of Rochester. He has been a professor and head of the division of urology at the University of Maryland School of Medicine since 1955.

Leslie Omer Shirley, '37, is working hard in beautiful Oakland Park, on Florida Gold Coast, near Ft. Lauderdale. Visitors welcome.

Leona Almarode Whitesill, '35, is an academic instructor and librarian in vocational training at Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center, Fishersville, Virginia.

Helen Dovel Andrew, '33, is librarian at Middletown Elementary School for her 14th year.

Theron C. Garst, '33, is employed as controller for Friendship Manor, a

home for the aging at Roanoke, Va., after 40 years with Garst Brothers Dairy, Inc. and Pet Milk Company as accountant and office manager.

Harold Eshelman, '32, has retired after 43 years of teaching at John Wayland Intermediate School, Bridgewater, Va.

Elva Wilfong, '32, has retired after 27½ years of teaching at Turner Ashby High School, Dayton, Va.

Madge S. Keiter, '31, has been named "Alumnus of the Year" (1974) by Shenandoah College and Conservatory of Music in Winchester, Va.

E. E. Will, '31, was elected president of the District G Retired Teachers Association at a meeting held recently in Staunton, Va.

R. Carlton Cupp, '30, retired in 1971. He taught in Rockingham County for 40 years. For 16 years, he was Secretary of the Rockingham County Fair, Director of his church's Sunday School, and was the Director of Weekday Religious Education.

'20's

L. Paul Miller, '29, retired from the faculty of Randolph-Macon College at Ashland, Va. at the end of the 1974-75 academic session. He had been a member of the Department of Romance Languages since 1946 and was appointed chairman of the department in 1970.

Georgie H. Holden, '28, received an award from the Marquis Library Society of Who's Who in America; recent award and citation from the American Bicentennial Research Institute 1776-1976 for her professional and civic attainments in the community of Man; will attend World Conference, Women's International Year, Mexico City, June 19-July 2, 1975; will go to Russia as member of Smithsonian Associates Foreign Charter Program October

16-30, 1975; honorary Fellow of Harry Truman Library Institute and received bronze medal; read own poetry recently among other area poets, May 4, 1975.

Howard Edward Mason, '25, retired from active contracting on January 1, 1975. He has spent the last few years building and managing some apartments in Harrisonburg, Va.

Since her retirement, **Carrie Shwalter Stern**, '24, is enjoying her flowers, garden, cat, dog, and hobbies. A grandson shares her home in Villa Park, Illinois, helping her, working, and attending college.

J. Quinter Miller, '21, has bought a retirement home on the Cumberland Plateau and now lives in Pleasant Hill, Tennessee.

10's

In August **Dr. O. L. Miller**, '19, will begin his 50th year of practice in Harrisonburg.

WEDDINGS

Pam Warner, '76, and Phil Franklin, February 15, 1975, near Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Patricia Dianne Flowers, '75, and William Breese Kice, May 25, 1975 at the First Presbyterian Church in Harrisonburg, Va.

Charlotte Sappington, '75, and Jack North, May 31, 1975, at the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren, Bridgewater, Va. They will be living in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Joel J. Valigorsky, '74, and Sharon D. Stewart, September 7, 1974, at Newburg, Pa. Joel will be attending West Virginia University, Morgantown, this fall, majoring in graduate industrial relations.

Carolyn Antha French, '73, and Larry Francis Long, May 24, 1975, at Woodstock Presbyterian Church, Woodstock, Va. They will live in New Market, Va.

Deborah McFarland, '73, and Edward Bell, April 26, 1975, in Diablo, California. They are living in Rockville, Md.

James J. Fisher, '72, and Annette Sue Talton, September 24, 1974, at Luther Place Memorial Church in Washington, D.C. They are living in Herndon, Va. James is a contract assistant for the U.S. Geological Survey.

Annie Silling Stanley, '31, and Joseph W. Fell on September 20, 1974. Mrs. Fell retired in August, 1974, after more than 40 years with the State of Virginia (teaching and employment service). Mr. Fell is retired from the U.S. Navy.

BIRTHS

John Hill, '73, and Carolyn Hill, a daughter, Stephanie Lynne, February 9, 1975.

Robert P. Mullins, '71, and **Joyce Webb Mullins**, '71, a son, Adam Joseph, born January 25, 1975.

D'Earcy P. Davis, III, '70, and Betty C. Davis, a son, Brandon Witt Davis, March 12, 1975.

Alan W. Edwards, '70, and **Joyce Hudson Edwards**, a son, Scott Alan, March 4, 1975. Alan will be a medical resident at the Medical College of Virginia in July, 1975.

Robert A. Houff, '70, and Dawn S. Houff, a daughter, Jennifer Elaine, born April 7, 1975.

Frank Riland Messick, '69, and Linda L. Messick, a daughter, Lindsay Hunter, January 4, 1975.

Joyce Messersmith Atkinson, '68, and Donald N. Atkinson, a son, Lyle Patrick, October 30, 1974.

Emory R. Rodgers, '68, and Mary Rodgers, a daughter, Danielle, March 28, 1974.

Donald R. Stephen, '68, and Clemence D. Stephen, a son, Gregory Eliot, April 3, 1975. Donald is a cost analyst with the Ford Motor Co. in Farmington Hills, Michigan.

J. Samuel Zigler, Jr., '68, and **Janet**

Simpson Zigler, '69, a son, Kirk Steven, February 8, 1974. Sam expects to receive a Ph.D. in zoology from Duke University in August and then begin a post-doctoral fellowship at Duke Medical Center. Janet has been accepted at University of North Carolina Law School.

Sharon Kelly Speak, '67, and Wayne Speak, a son, Byron Scott, May 9, 1975.

Clyde E. Clark, '66, and Amy Harris Clark, a daughter, Mary Kristin.

F. Gary Osborne, '58, and Carol H. Osborne, a son, Jeffrey Allen Osborne, October 21, 1974.

DEATHS

Robert Lee Byrd, '35, Bridgewater, Va., March 2, 1975.

O. T. Funkhouser, '23, Harrisonburg, Virginia, April 8, 1975.

Everett Lee Wampler, '15, Mt. Sidney, Va., February 28, 1975.

Nellie Myers Wampler, '08, Broadway, Virginia, April 8, 1975.

Dr. William T. Sanger, '09, president of the Medical College of Virginia from 1925 until 1956, died April 17. His death was noted in the *Scarab*, the journal of the alumni association of MCV. Quoting from that publication:

Dr. Sanger received his A.B. degree from Bridgewater and went on to Indiana University for his M.S. and to Clark University for his Ph.D. After serving as a professor at Bridgewater, he was called to Harrisonburg State Teachers College (now Madison) where he became dean and head of the department of education. He returned to Bridgewater in 1919 to become the first dean and professor of psychology and education. His next step along the way was the executive secretaryship of the Virginia Education Association and editor of its magazine, the *Virginia Journal of Education*. Then he was made secretary of the Virginia State Board of Education and assistant to the Honorable Harris Hart, superintendent of public education.

The article notes that Dr. Sanger succeeded in developing MCV from a "badly limping College in the middle of the 1920's" to a "top-flight institution." He served as official consultant on medical, hospital, and health problems in ten states, published articles on a variety of problems, and was active in many fields, as president of organizations having to do with crippled children, parents and teachers, cancer control, rural health, medical care, and many others. He received the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce annual distinguished service award among many others that were presented to him including the Distinguished Alumnus award of Bridgewater College.

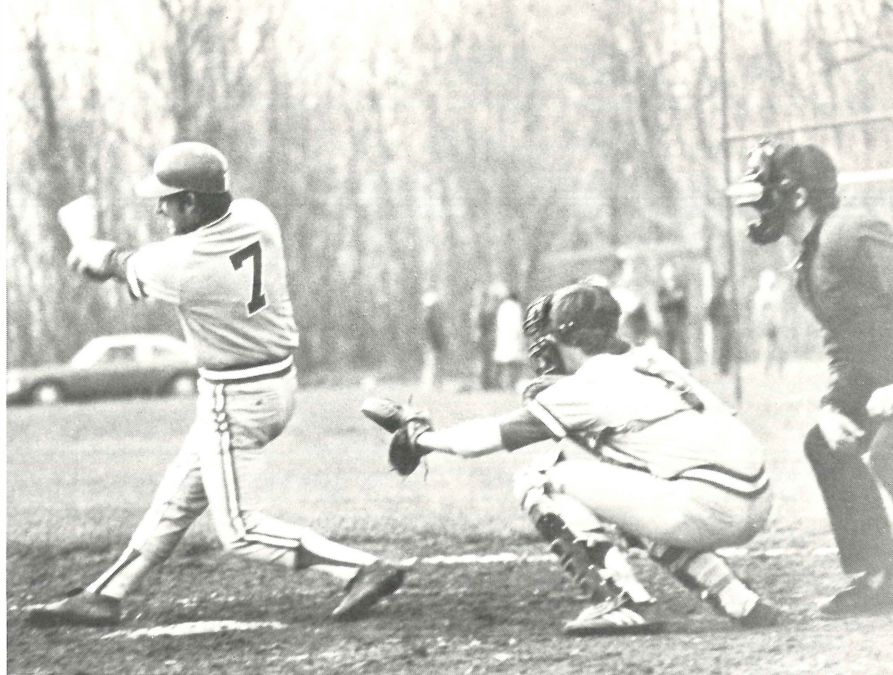
Dr. Sanger is survived by his wife of 62 years, the former Sylvia Gray Burns of 4804 Pocahontas Avenue, Richmond, and a son, Julian.

Sports

by Bob Armbruster, '75

Baseball

The Eagles enjoyed a fine season this year, posting an 11-7 record and participating in the VCAA tournament for the third straight year. Highlighting the season's accomplishments was a win over Madison College and the naming of four individuals to the All-VCAA 1st team. Topping the individuals selected was 3rd baseman Jeff Gianakos, the leading VCAA hitter with a .529 average and .462 overall. Jeff is currently ranked in the top six hitters of College Division III nationally. Bridgewater's "ace" of the pitching staff, senior Andrew Hence, was also a 1st team pick. He led the Eagles this season with a 5-2 record, a 1.63 ERA and 30 strikeouts. Hence's batterymate, junior catcher Ken Utterback, and junior centerfielder Rick Marsh were also selected to the VCAA team. Utterback caught all 18 games, batted .306, threw out 9 runners and did not allow a passed ball, while Marsh was the team's second best hitter behind Gianakos with a .406 average, committing only 2 errors.



Freshman Steve Austin (No. 7)

Key seniors who will be lost besides Hence are: 2nd baseman Ron Simms, who led the team in assists with 40, batted .293 and had a .963 fielding average; left fielder Chris Sizemore, who led the team in runs scored, 22, doubles, 4, stolen bases, 8, and base on balls, 14; and designated hitter and 1st baseman Scott Duffey, who batted .297, had a fielding average of .943, and a clutch

average of .556. The team's top power hitter this year was junior first baseman J. D. McCurdy. He led the team in home runs, 5, and RBI's, 16, and putouts with 97. The team also had a successful spring trip prior to the start of the season that took them to the Hawaiian Islands and scrimmages against a University of Hawaii team.



Nancy Harker, lacrosse team's scoring leader (in white blouse), slams home a goal.

Lacrosse

The women's lacrosse teams highlighted their already record-setting seasons by sending five of the team members on to the AIAW National Tournament, held at Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pa. Juniors Nancy Harker and Sandy Pott were named to the Southern District No. 4 team and were also selected to the No. 1 Virginia team; freshman Donna Nichols, No. 5 team in the Southern District, 2nd team All-Virginia choice; sophomores Lou Moore and Susan Bilhimer, No. 6 Southern District team, No. 2 All-Virginia team. In all, B.C. had 12 women selected to All-Virginia teams, including Sharon Will and Carol Walbridge on the No.

2 Virginia team, senior Dawn McIntyre No. 3, juniors Evelyn Davis and Diane Helwig and Sophomore Charlotte Beahm, No. 4, and junior Debbie West, No. 5.

On their way to the state tournament, the women compiled their finest regular season record ever, 7-2-1, and were 8-4-1 overall. Nancy Harker was the team's scoring leader this year at her first home position with 36 goals. Sharon Will, playing the demanding center position, was second in scoring with 20 goals. Sandy Pott, playing at the right defensive wing spot, was the team leader in loose balls with 61 and scored several key goals after long runs. Donna Nichols, one of the most pleasant surprises of the season playing at the third man position, led the

team in interceptions with 17.

The junior varsity team also posted, by far, its best season record ever, going 6-1 on the year. The team was led by Charlotte Beahm at second home, scoring 20 goals and seeing considerable varsity action. Also helping to make the varsity season a success were seniors Carol Walbridge and Dawn McIntyre. Sophomore Lou Moore was third in scoring with 16. Another sophomore, Susan Bilhimer, and a junior, Diane Mandeville, shared the goalie duties for much of the year. Each girl stopped over 100 shots on the goals.

The team is coached by Mary Frances Heishman.

Women's Tennis

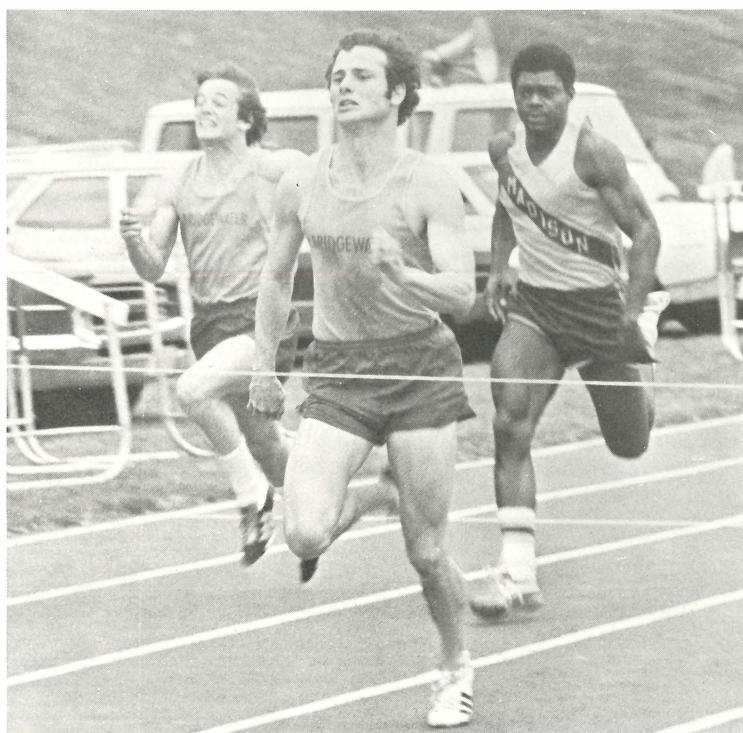
The women's tennis team enjoyed a winning season, 6-4-1, led by sophomore Eileen Waterhouse at the No. 4 position. She posted an excellent 8-1 record and moved all the way to the semifinals of the state tournament before being defeated, scoring 6 of the team's total 15 points. Junior Beth Miller and freshman Susan Derrow shared the No. 1 and No. 2 positions, posting 6-5 and 4-6 records respectively. Senior Patti Riffle, at the No. 3 position, finished the season with an even 5-5 mark. The doubles team of Jeannie Miller, a sophomore, and Jean Buchmoyer, a freshman, posted a 2-4 record at the No. 1 position. With only two seniors graduating, Coach Laura Mapp can look forward to several strong seasons ahead.



Patti Riffle

Men's Tennis

The team posted its best record ever, going 9-4 on the season, led by freshman sensation Steve Broach at the No. 5 position. Broach compiled a 12-1 individual record, losing only to a top man from Hampden-Sydney College. Other individuals posting fine records were: juniors Tom Wright, 10-3 (No. 2), Mike Harris, 8-4 (No. 3), and sophomore Rush Barnett, 8-5, (No. 4). The doubles team of Wright and Barnett compiled a fine 7-2 mark at the No. 2 spot and senior Robert Clark and Harris posted a good 8-4 record at the No. 1 position. With only two seniors graduating, Clark, and No. 6 man Robert Trout, the men can look forward to an even more successful year. The team is coached by Carlyle Whitelow.



Sam Hartman winning the 440



Rush Barnett

Track

"Doc" Jopson's track team, led by some fine seniors and some surprising freshmen, finished the dual meet season with a 5-2 record and in the process qualified a relay team and one individual for the NCAA Division III National Championships that were held at Baldwin-Wallace College, in Berea, Ohio. The 440 relay team, composed of seniors Sam Hartman and Dan Metzler, sophomore Jeff Horton and freshman Ed Gibbs, had a best time of 42.8 seconds to qualify. Metzler qualified for the pole vault with a school record vault of 14'9" in the VCAA indoor championships. Metzler also

set a new school record in the high hurdles with a time of 14.9 seconds. Sophomore Russ Bruner and junior Bruce Hollingshead both tied the school record mark in the high jump of 6'2", and junior Brent Mumbert had a best long jump of 22'7" before being injured. Hartman turned in his finest time ever in the 100 yard dash, 9.9, and also doubled in the 220 yard dash. Perhaps the most pleasant surprise was the development of freshman Les West in the open 440 yard dash. His best time of 50.3 seconds is the finest open 440 time for a BC runner in four years.

Golf

The golf team had a tough season, due to bad weather and several close matches, on its way to scoring a 3-5 record. Freshman Dave Wood had a fine year at the No. 1 position, being defeated only once in 8 matches. Sophomore Chip Studwell also played well and completed the season with a 4-2 record. The team can look forward to a better season next year with most of the players returning.

Bridgewater Sets Vital Fund Drive

By Gary Robertson

Times-Dispatch State Staff
BRIDGEWATER — In an age when many church-related institutions of higher learning have let slip the precepts on which they were founded, there's at least one that hasn't: Bridgewater College.

But doing things differently is nothing unusual for Bridgewater. It was Virginia's first coeducation college and the first in the commonwealth to espouse the concept of integration when that idea wasn't so popular.

Throughout its existence, Bridgewater has won a reputation for academic excellence and Christian character building.

Last week, however, the college announced that to continue to serve, almost \$8 million must be raised by 1980 to support its operating budget, increase its small endowment and renovate its buildings.

When asked why the college was raising funds, Geiser, the president, said he emphasized the college's history on its 100th anniversary. "If it's successful, it's a success."



Dr. Wayne F. Geisert

develop an appreciation of the complex relationships which relate man to man and men to God.

"Believing that religion can be the integrating force in the lives of men and women, Bridgewater emphasizes the freedom and obligation of each individual to develop his personal faith . . . in the library, the classroom, in his room, in the lounge, or on the playing field. . . ."

Students

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Bridgewater Drive Starts

THE ROANOKE TIMES, Saturday, April 5, 1975

BRIDGEWATER — An \$8-million development program to be completed by 1980 has been announced by R. Douglas Nininger, chairman of the board of trustees, at the college's annual Founders' Day ceremonies.

Centennial projects have been earmarked to receive \$300,000.

New construction, including a swimming pool and new educational building, will cost \$1.6 million.

Mr. Nininger said that the "8 by 80" campaign not only will take Bridgewater to its centennial; it also is being started as Dr. Geisert begins his second decade in the college's presidency.

"During his first decade of leadership," Mr. Nininger said, "Bridgewater has made remarkable progress as one of our fine church-related colleges. Success in this new undertaking will assure that future generations will benefit from the special educational opportunities that a small, excellent, independent college is uniquely capable of providing."

During the first 10 years of Dr. Geisert's administration, Bridgewater's annual operating expenses have grown from \$1.1 million to \$2.8 million, a 250 per cent increase.

Total assets have grown in value from nearly \$5.3 million to over \$11.7 million, a 222 per cent increase, Mr. Nininger reported.

Construction and remodeling of campus buildings have involved expenditure of over \$3.8 million and gifts to the college in the 10-year period have totalled \$4.1 million.

Student enrollment was 697 in the fall of 1964, compared to 804 in the fall of 1974. The college also has a long record of operating without budget deficits, Mr. Nininger said.

Bridgewater College was founded in 1880 by D. C. Flory, a minister and educator

whose birthday is observed each year during the Founders Day program. The college is associated with the Church of the Brethren.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 1975

DAILY NEWS-RECORD, HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

8 BY 80

Bridgewater College has embarked on an ambitious fund-raising campaign to realize \$8 million within the next six years. This amount added to the present endowment will assure the college's future.

Eight million dollars is a lot of money, especially in such lean times as we are having at the moment. It will be money well invested, for Bridgewater has long been known for the excellence of many of its programs. Small enrollment and small classes mean that students and professors know one another in a way not possible at larger institutions.

Since 1880 Bridgewater has been a growing asset to the area as its alumni have gone out into many occupations and professions. The funds which will be raised over the next six years will send it off on its second century strengthened and ready to continue its tradition of excellence.

We commend the program to all Bridgewater friends, especially those in the Harrisonburg area. The college faces a tremendous challenge but we are confident its ambitious goal will be attained if all its friends respond as they should.

2 Staunton, Va., Leader, Friday, April 4, 1975



BRIDGEWATER College President Wayne F. Geisert, left, shows R. Douglas Nininger, chairman of the board of trustees, a volume on Bridgewater College history, while James L. Keeler, development vice chairman of the board, looks on.

Bridgewater announces

BC Goes For '8 By 80' Century Completion Fund

BRIDGEWATER — Bridgewater College has launched an \$8 million development program to be completed by 1980 when the college celebrates its centennial anniversary.

Plans for the "First Century Completion Fund" were announced Friday by R. Douglas Nininger, chairman of the board of trustees, at the college's annual Founders' Day ceremonies.

Nicknamed the "8 by 80" (\$8 million by '80), the fund-raising program will bring Bridgewater College to the close of its first 100 years "in a position of academic and financial strength," Dr. Wayne F. Geisert, college president, told the 650 students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of Bridgewater attending the morning convocation.

The funds also will provide needed improvements in the physical facilities at Bridgewater, Dr. Geisert said.

Advance commitments to the program total more than \$1.5 million, reported James L. Keeler, development vice chairman of the trustees. He said that the trustees had committed nearly \$900,000 of the advance contributions.

According to Mr. Nininger, the \$8 million will be split into six divisions:

— Over \$2.8 million will go to the educational program to support operating costs, student aid, salaries, book acquisition and other needs.

— The endowment fund will receive \$2.1 million.

— Over \$600,000 will be used for renovations and equipment.

— Retirement of capital debt will use \$500,000.

swimming pool and a new educational facility, the nature of which will be announced later, \$1,620,000 were Douglas of the

opportunities that a small, excellent, independent college is uniquely capable of providing."

During the first ten years of Geisert's administration, annual operating expenses have grown from \$2,817,739, a 250 per cent increase. Total income has grown from \$5,280,866 to \$14,444, a 222 per cent increase. Construction and remodeling of campus buildings involved expenditure of \$40,000. During this period, the college from private sources have totalled \$4,120,079.

Student enrollment was 697 in the fall of 1964, as compared with 804 in the fall of 1974. The college has a long record of operating without budgetary deficits.

BRIDGEWATER — A five-year \$8 million development fund-raising campaign at Bridgewater College is scheduled for completion in 1980 when the school celebrates its centennial. Announced at weekend Founders' Day ceremonies, the campaign fund would cover operating expenditures as well as commitments total more than \$1.5 million, the board of trustees reported.

The announcement of the First Century Completion Fund received statewide coverage. Watch for further news about this major development effort.

Bridgewater College Alumni Association

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

1974-75

Date	Chapter	Activity
December 9	Bridgewater-Dayton	Prospective Student Reception
December 30	Northern Virginia	Prospective Student Reception
January 10		East-Coast Meeting of Brethren-Related Colleges at American University
January 18	Florida	Annual Banquet, Speaker: Dr. Geisert
February 2	Roanoke	Prospective Student Reception
February 16	Baltimore	Prospective Student Reception at Reistertown Church of the Brethren
March 4	Roanoke	Telethon
March 5	Richmond	Telethon
March 11	Northern Virginia	Telethon
March 12	Southern Pennsylvania	Telethon
March 15	Bridgewater-Dayton	Annual Banquet, Program: Stage Band
March 16	Richmond	Prospective Student Reception
March 18, 19, 20	Bridgewater-Dayton	Rockingham County Telethon
April 8	Franklin-Henry County	Annual Banquet, Program: Chorale
April 13	Northern Virginia	Prospective Student Reception at Manassas Church of the Brethren
April 18	Northern Virginia	Annual Banquet, Speaker: Dr. Geisert
April 19	Upper Potomac	Annual Banquet, Speaker: Brydon DeWitt
April 25	Southern Pennsylvania	Annual Banquet, Speaker: Professor Lamar Neal on his Russia Interterm
May 15	Roanoke	Annual Banquet, Speaker: Professor Lamar Neal on his Russia Interterm
May 18	Richmond	Annual Meeting Picnic and Stage Band Concert in Dogwood Dell
May 23	Tennessee	Annual Banquet, Speaker: Don Kilday
June 13	Carroll County	Annual Banquet, Speaker: David Holl

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